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# **Decisions**

# Bucks Shared Support Services Joint Committee

### 24 September 2009

ITEM 1: Election of Chairman

#### **RESOLVED**

That Mr D Rowlands be elected Chairman of the Bucks Shared Support Services Joint Committee until the next meeting.

Mr A Busby was elected Vice-Chairman, in order to chair the next meeting.

#### ITEM 2: Apologies for absence/changes in membership

Apologies were received from Mr J Cartwright and Ann Davies (HR Advisor – Shared Services).

Anne Davies referred to the statement made at the last meeting regarding Chris Williams's partner taking up an appointment as Partnership Director for one of the bidders. She informed Members that the company was Mouchel.

Mr C Furness, Chief Executive, South Bucks District Council was the Programme Sponsor and Mr N Cave, Pathfinder Director would chair the Programme Board.

### ITEM 3: Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

#### ITEM 4: Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Joint Committee on 10 September were agreed as a correct record, including the confidential minutes, subject to the following amendment:-

Item 8 – Representations from Trade Union and Staff Representatives – 4<sup>th</sup> sentence

'One trade union was unable to attend an out of hours meeting .....'

#### ITEM 5: Representations from Trade Union and Staff Representatives

Members received representations from Unison and a staff representative. The Joint Committee agreed to provide a response to the comments they had submitted within two weeks. There was some debate about the time taken for consultation and response on both sides. Both sides expressed a desire to resolve outstanding issues so that the proposed joint

forum could be implemented thus streamlining the process and channels for future communications.

#### ITEM 6: Exclusion of the Press and Public

#### **RESOLVED**

That the press and public be excluded for the following item which is exempt by virtue of Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972 because it contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

## ITEM 7: Confidential Item on procurement issues

Members discussed the evaluation criteria and took into account points made by both Trade Unions and Staff Representatives and the following changes were made and agreed:-

- ❖ A change was made to the sub-criteria for Legal and Commercials
- ❖ An adjustment was made to the balance of weighting between workforce matters and the change and implementation strategy. This was in response to comments made by Unison.
- Two minor amendments were made to the proposed workforce questions in Invitation to Submit Outline Proposals

#### **RESOLVED**

That, subject to the changes above, the Joint Committee agreed the high level criteria for tender evaluation.

#### ITEM 8: Date of Next Meeting

The proposed date for the next meeting is Wednesday 21 January 2010.

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